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In re: Anagnostou et al.

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**REMARKS ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Sir/Madam:

These remarks are being submitted concurrently with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE"), an Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") and a Petition to Withdraw from Issue ("Petition").

Applicants have submitted the Petition to permit consideration of the IDS and accompanying documents. The accompanying documents are those that have been filed in an Opposition Proceeding in the European Patent Office (EPO) for corresponding European Patent No. 0933995 (European Patent Application No. 97940974.5). Applicants note that some of the references submitted with the IDS have been previously considered by the Examiner and are re-submitted in order to complete the record of documents as submitted in the EPO proceeding. More specifically, the citations listed on the IDS as D3, D6, D8, and D9 were previously submitted on an IDS dated January 21, 2002; citations D4, D5, D7 and D10 were previously submitted on an IDS dated October 31, 2005; and citations D12 and D13 were previously submitted on an IDS dated November 29, 2006.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of these documents, and Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are patentable over the currently submitted documents at least in view of the reasons previously made of record and further in view of previously considered references.

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Accordingly, Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and the same is respectfully requested. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at 919-854-1400 for resolution of any outstanding issues.

Respectfully submitted,



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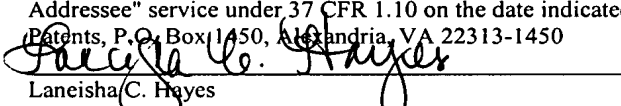
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